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For: CONTROL METHOD OF SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND
SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date(s) of the following prior foreign application(s) in the following foreign country is hereby requested for the above-identified patent application and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed:

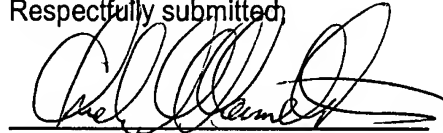
Foreign Application No. 2002-231825, filed August 8, 2002 in Japan.

In support of this claim, certified copy of said original foreign application is filed herewith.

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these/this document.

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